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YUGOSLAVIA CAVES IN "Captured" Airmen Released Promise Not To Do It Again

Belgrade, Aug. 23.
Nine of the ten captured crew members and passengers aboard the American Army C-47 transport which Yugoslav gun-fire forced down near the Austrian border on Aug. 9 were released one hour before Ambassador Richard Patterson presented Marshal Tito with the United States ultimatum, demanding release within 48 hours.

Those released included seven Americans and two Hungarians. They began their journey today across the Morgan Line into Trieste.

The tenth man aboard the plane was a Turkish captain who was seriously wounded when Yugoslav fighter planes fired on the transport. He remained at the Ljubljana hospital.

Dispatches from the Ljubljana quoted the crew members as saying they understood there had been frequent flights by both American and British air-planes over Yugoslavia recently, sometimes as many as 20 daily.

The crew members said their plane was not fired upon after it hit the ground.

While Patterson did not deliver the ultimatum until yes-

"ARIES"

Colombo, Aug. 22.
The Royal Air Force Lancaster "Aries" landed here at 4.02 p.m. G.M.T. and took off two hours later for Port Darwin on the next stage of the attempt on the Britain-New Zealand record.—Reuter.

terday afternoon, its contents were made known to the Yugoslav Government earlier.

Five Others

The State Department said the ultimatum's expiration time was not definitely fixed.

There were indications that none of the Americans aboard the second plane survived.

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A military informant said that Yugoslav planes that downed both the American transports were acquired recently from the Soviet Union.

Paris Meetings

In Paris, Secretary of State James F. Byrnes held a hurried series of conferences with top-flight American advisers on the Yugoslav situation.

Russia's Foreign Minister M. Molotov, talked with the Yugoslav Vice-Premier, Evard Kardelj, perhaps on the same subject.

Earlier in London, Milivoj Sijic, supervisor of the Yugoslav news agency Tanjug, said that Marshal Tito might reject the United States ultimatum because it would be a good thing for us to have the entire matter threshed out before the Security Council.

"The last thing Yugoslavia wants is war. We have done no wrong and we have no desire to bring disaster to any Americans either individually or collectively."—Associated Press.

Fresh Hope

Washington, Aug. 23.
Yugoslavia's quick submission to the American ultimatum for the release of the imprisoned American Army fliers, plus her assurances of no more shooting, produced fresh hope among diplomats today.

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HOTELS WRECKED

Paris, Aug. 22.
Ten policemen were injured and luxury bars and hotels ransacked in a riot which developed out of workers' demonstration against the high cost of living in Nantes, Brittany.

After marching to the prefecture to hand in their protest, the workers raided hotels, which they accused of overcharging. Windows and glasses were broken and furniture smashed. Several youths were detained.—Reuters.

W.A.C. Captain Court-Martial

Frankfurt, Aug. 23.
A court-martial today arraigned W.A.C. Captain Kathleen B. Nash Durant in connection with the theft of \$1,500,000 worth of Hesse Family jewels from Kronberg Castle.

The 43-year old Phoenix, Arizona, woman was accused of larceny, embezzlement, conspiracy and absence without leave.

Her lawyer, Lieutenant-Colonel Dwinell, told the court that Mrs. Durant had asked for, but been denied permission for, her husband, Colonel Jack W. Durant, to be her special defence counsel.

Colonel Durant, 36, married the defendant shortly after the bulk of the jewels was discovered in the United States and is awaiting trial in the same case, but he has not been formally charged as yet.

Mrs. Durant was the former manager of Kronberg Castle, from which the jewels were stolen last November.—Associated Press.

Official Statement

Trieste, Aug. 23.
The U.S. 88th Division in an official statement last night on the release by the Yugoslavs of the American plane passengers, said: "At 9.30 p.m. on August 22, Lieutenant Donald Paesler of the 88th Division met nine persons including seven Americans and two foreign nationals, who were released yesterday evening from the second plane survived.

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Right-Wing Press Criticisms

London, Aug. 23.

Phrases such as "serious act of aggression," "callous attack" and even "butchery" are used by the Right-wing British press with reference to Yugoslavia in their comments today on the United States note.

The Conservative "Daily Telegraph" emphasises that the note is "conspicuous by its studied moderation in tone and substance" and continues: "The deliberate shooting down of two planes and the detention of the survivors are serious acts of aggression which might well have been the occasion for insistence on a peremptory redress."

Regarding the American demands, it says: "That is at once the least and the most which the American Government could have done consistently with the rule of order in international relations which it is their aim in common with other well-disposed Governments to promote."

"The recent Yugoslav policy has been all too reminiscent of the methods familiar in Europe and elsewhere between wars of which the world might have hoped it had seen the last with the defeat of aggression powers."

"The Times" says: "It is not helpful to confuse two different matters which have drawn separate notes from Washington and London during the last few days, though each contributes to the atmosphere which made possible the callous attack on American aircraft and the clumsy and brusque Yugoslav defence of it."

It points out that for months past American aircraft have been passing "either dangerously close to or accidentally on the wrong side of one of the most inflammable frontiers of Europe." It notes that the two planes which were shot down in Yugoslavia were about 40 and 15 miles respectively off the aircraft route

and adds: "Here, then, was at least an understandable grievance to be added to the charges made in a speech by Marshal Tito, when he referred to 'not a single plane but whole squadrons of military as well as civilian planes' flying over that territory."

"Protests have been made by Belgrade on the subject without the publication of any categorical reply; and it is perhaps surprising that the State Department spokesman in Washington, should have been reported as saying, during a comment on his Government's note, that the United States had not asked permission to fly over the 'jet of Yugoslav territory lying on the air route between Vienna and Rome.'

"But there can be no excuse for the Yugoslav refusal so far to release the seven Americans from the aircraft which was shot down as long ago as August 9."

"The Times" continues that much of the resentment felt by Yugoslavia "has been consciously stimulated by regimes intensively anti-British and anti-capitalist."

"Stiff One"

The Liberal "Manchester Guardian" says: "The American note to Yugoslavia is a stiff one."

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PALESTINE Arabs Name Delegates

London, Aug. 23.

The names of the proposed heads of delegations from Arab states at the forthcoming London conference on Palestine have now been announced from an official Arab source.

They are: Egypt—Hasz Ramadhan Pasha, leader of the Nationalist Party; Lebanon—Camille Chamoun, Lebanese Minister in London; Syria—Faris El Khoury, ex-Prime Minister and President of the Syrian Chamber of Deputies, who led his country's delegation to the United Nations Assembly in London last winter; Iraq—Nuri Es Said, ex-Prime Minister and Chairman of the Senate; Transjordan—probably Famie Risai, ex-Prime Minister; Saudi Arabia—probably Emir Feisal, present Prime Minister; Palestine—probably Jamal Husseini, deputy chairman of the Palestine Arab Higher Executive; and one other delegate.

The representation of Yemen has not yet been fixed.

According to the Foreign Office, formal acceptance to the invita-

ARGENTINE "GUY FAWKES"

London, Aug. 23.
An Argentine nationalist tried to blow up the House of Congress in Buenos Aires on Wednesday, as a protest against the Senate's ratification of the Argentine constitution, cables the correspondent of "The Times" in Buenos Aires.

He says that while both Chambers were sitting, the police noticed a man trying to enter the building. He was arrested and found to be concealing five detonating cartridges with fuses declared to be powerful enough to cause "grave damage."—Reuters.

No Choice Between Them

Miami, Fla., Aug. 23.

After crossing the Atlantic in a 38-foot sloop, 18 seagoing refugees from Estonia sailed into Miami harbour only to be refused permission to land.

The 11 men, six wives and a 5-year-old girl had been at sea for 30 days on the last leg of their voyage from Madeira. They started from Sweden on May 30.

Without one valid immigration permit in the whole group, Immigration officials said that they had no choice but to refuse landing permission.

The sloop's skipper and navigator, explaining their flight from Estonia to Sweden, said:—

"We have lived under both German and Russian rule... There is no choice between those two. Under both, our houses would be entered in the dead of night. Neighbours would disappear without trace. Liberty has left Estonia. If we must go on, we will, even if we must travel all the way to Australia. They cannot take the sea away from us."—Associated Press.

RECOGNISED

New York, Aug. 23.

The Spanish Information Centre announces that it has received a message from Dr. Jose Giral, Premier of the Spanish Republican Government, saying that Czechoslovakia has officially recognised the Republican regime.—Associated Press.

tion to attend the conference have only been received from Saudi Arabia, Transjordan, Syria and Lebanon but informed quarters here consider that there is now little doubt that the Arab states and Palestinian Arabs will be strongly represented at the conference, which will probably take place about the end of the first week in September.

The British authorities, it is re-

liably understood, have in-

formally contacted about the pos-

sibility that the Mufti of Jeru-

alem, now at Alexandria, might

attend the conference. But there

is no chance that he would be

acceptable as a delegate to the

British Government.

Observers here do not think

that any disagreement on this

point is likely to prevent the con-

ference from taking place.—

Reuters.

Mined Ship Still Afloat

Jerusalem, Aug. 22.

Zionist extremists, bent

upon preventing further deporta-

tions of Jewish illegal immi-

grants to Cyprus, are generally

believed to have made last

night's attempt to sink the

7,000-ton British troop trans-

port "Empire Rival" as they lay

at anchor in Haifa Bay.

Up to late this afternoon, no

arrests have been made

although British troops were

reported to have made house

searches in the Jewish settle-

ments on the north side of Haifa Bay. British troops were

today put on board several

ships at anchor in the harbour

and bay as added security pro-

tection, while B-52 carriers

have been brought into the dock

area.

Water is still being pumped

out of the No. 5 hold of the

"Empire Rival," which is afloat

in shallow water with a military

guard.

A meeting of more than 1,500

Jewish ex-servicemen tonight

sent a resolution to General Sir

Alan Cunningham, High Com-

misioner in Palestine, urging

the British Government to

abandon its present policy on

Jewish immigrants.

Four Jews, suspected of be-

ing terrorists, were deported

tonight under a military escor-

tage, by order of the Palestine Gov-

ernment. They are being sent

to the event on August 9 may

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of precisely what happened?

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WORLDWIDE APPREHENSION U.S.-Yugoslav Dispute And Dardanelles Position Feared Critical

London, Aug. 22. The world tonight awaited with some apprehension the next moves in the biggest potential diplomatic struggle of the post-war period, following delivery of the United States warning to Yugoslavia and the Turkish reply to Soviet Russia's demand to share in the defense of the Black Sea and the Straits.

On the reactions of Moscow and Belgrade to these two moves depend the course of what is recognised in London as a critical situation. As the 48-hour time limit to the American warning slipped by these moves were reported from the Mediterranean area today:

1. Mr. Richard Patterson, U.S. Ambassador to Yugoslavia (said New York Radio) left Belgrade to see Marshal Tito at Bleib, his summer house, where the Marshal claimed to have himself witnessed the forcing down of the foreign planes.

2. Admiral Hewitt, Commander of the U.S. Naval Forces in Europe, announced that America's largest and most modern aircraft-carrier, the 45,000-ton Franklin Roosevelt, will visit Gibraltar and Malta, as well as Naples and Tangier. The carrier arrived in Gibraltar today, escorted by a cruiser and two destroyers, in readiness for training manoeuvres in the Mediterranean with other units of the U.S. European Fleet.

3. Turkey in a note handed to the Soviet Charge d'Affaires today rejected outright Russia's proposal that she should share in the defence and control of the Dardanelles. The reply was drafted after consultations with the British and United States Ambassadors. The British Government's views (also believed to have rejected the Soviet proposals) were sent to Russia yesterday, and a U.S. note on similar lines was delivered 24 hours earlier.

The Soviet proposals for a revision of the Montreux Convention were first delivered two weeks ago.

U. S. Provocation

An unofficial spokesman of the Yugoslav delegation to the Paris Conference declared in the French capital tonight that Yugoslavia would not be afraid to have the dispute over two U.S. planes shot down over Yugoslavia territory brought before the United Nations Security Council. In his opinion, the spokesman added, the shooting down of the American planes was provoked by the Americans in an attempt to influence the course of the Paris Conference in favour of Italy.

The spokesman said the planes were shot down on August 9, near Lubiana over Yugoslav territory just when a popular demonstration in favour of Yugoslav control of Trieste was in progress.

A Violation

"This does not look like a coincidence," the spokesman declared. Both planes, he added, refused to comply with orders to land before they were fired on.

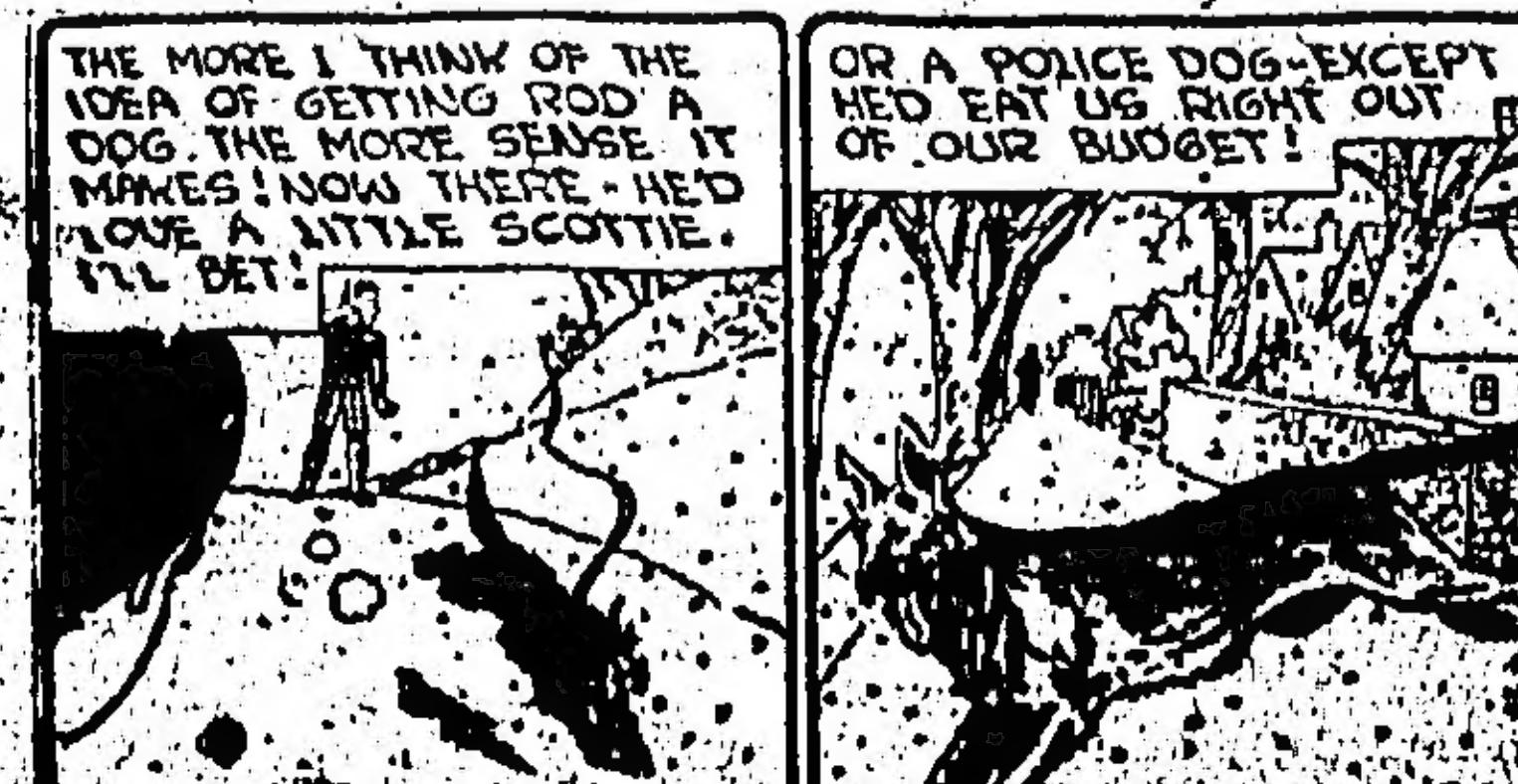
Commenting on the possibility of the dispute coming before the Security Council, he said: "We shall stand by our rights under international law before the Council or anywhere else."

"These planes violated our territorial integrity. We were right in shooting them down and holding their crews for investigation."

"JANE"



BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES



So True



RAF Try For New Record

Brighton, Aug. 23. Group-Captain E. M. Donaldson, 34-year-old commander of the R.A.F. High-Speed Flight, is to make an official attempt to break the world air speed record of 606 miles per hour on Saturday.

He will fly his own "Star," a meteor jet-plane, over the marked course between Bognor and Worthing, on England's south coast.

He told reporters: "An official attempt on the world air speed record will be made on Saturday afternoon. I will make it as soon after two o'clock as possible when the air is less bumpy. But if Sunday promises to be an even warmer day than Saturday, I may postpone my attempt until Sunday; otherwise I shall adhere to my present intention of attacking the record on Saturday afternoon."

He said that Saturday's attempt would not be the end of attempts to raise the record. If good weather persisted, a series of flights would be made, as much information could be obtained from the scientists point of view.—Reuter.

Army Officer Cashiered

Singapore, Aug. 23. A British spokesman said that Major J. B. D. Williams had been cashiered and sentenced to one year's hard labour by a court martial investigating the disappearance of the £3,000,000 "Nakamura treasure" which the Japanese had looted in the Netherlands East Indies.

Captain Williams was Assistant Provost Marshal at Batavia and a member of the Army's Special Investigation Branch.

Testimony showed that Capt. Williams had received a box of gold trinkets; that he turned in part of the gold to the Army Pay-Master and kept the remainder, which was found in his room, the spokesman said. Several other soldiers and civilians are in custody awaiting the conclusion of the two-month investigation.

The treasure is alleged to have been taken originally from the "Government Pawn Service" head office in Batavia by a Japanese Army captain, Hiroshi Nakamura, who filled ten boxes with gold and jewels and took them to the house of a Eurasian girl.—Associated Press and Reuter.

NEW LINER FOR FAR EAST

London, Aug. 23. A new 24,000-ton liner is being built in England for P. & O.'s Straits and China Service.

The liner which is expected to be in service in May, 1948, will have over 23 knots and will be the largest vessel yet designed for this route.

She will be named the "Chusan," reviving an historic name in the P. & O.—Reuter.

Yugoslav territory.

As Russia is not technically a party to the dispute, the opinion in Washington is that any action proposed by the United States in the Security Council would be vetoed by Russia. In that case, the only course left to the United States would be normal diplomatic pressures, as those involved in the breaking off of diplomatic relations.—Reuter.

Third World War

London, Aug. 23. The British Government kept officially aloof on Thursday night which is expected to be in service in May, 1948, and will have over 23 knots and will be the largest vessel yet designed for this route.

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Yugoslav territory.

The Security Council is likely to meet on Monday, if no satisfactory reply is received to the United States note.

Break Possible

The possibility of the United States breaking off diplomatic relations with Yugoslavia, if no satisfaction is received from Belgrade, or the Security Council, is being discussed in Washington.

No direct action by the United States is expected should Yugoslavia decide to defy the warning. The United States is expected simply to plough the matter before the Security Council.

Authoritative American circles assume that the 48-hour period in which Marshal Tito has been asked to reply will expire at the latest at 3 a.m. GMT on Saturday (Noon Hong Kong time).

It would be open to the United States under the Charter to act in self defence against armed attacks until the Security Council acted. This might be taken to justify the use of fighter escort by United States planes in danger of losing their bearings over

"If Marshal Tito fails to adopt a more conciliatory attitude" the "Evening News" said, "Britain and the United States will move in step."

Major Guy Lloyd, Liberal M.P. for Renfrew East, said in a speech at Glasgow that "the propaganda of Communism must inevitably lead to a third world war" and added, "if a United Nations airplane happens to fly over Yugoslavia which might see what is going on, it gets shot down."

He said without amplification that, while there were only two British and American divisions near the Yugoslav border, there were some 750,000 troops "waiting in the neighbourhood".—Associated Press.

MOST INSIDIOUS WEAPON

Washington, Aug. 23. Vice-Admiral W. H. Blandy, who directed the two Bikini atom tests, said he favoured outlawing of the atom bomb but did not think the United States should ban its use voluntarily.

Blandy said "We all want to see it outlawed but it would have to be a workable plan, a real enforceable plan and at the same time one that's acceptable to all nations."

It is not only of the most destructive power but it can be the most insidious weapon of all times in its radiological effect."—Associated Press.

BEACH TRAP FOR ESCAPEES

London, Aug. 23. A beach trap manned by patrols disguised as fishermen to capture escaped German prisoners of war was disclosed last night.

The War Office announced that 39 prisoners have escaped this year. Some made their way to the coast and were picked up by the trap. The discovery of two prisoners as stowaways in a trooper bound from Hull to Cuxhaven has shown that it is possible to slip through the trap and the system is now being tightened up.—Reuter.

MOSCOW SPREADS EUROS

London, Aug. 23. A Moscow broadcast today said the Syrian press reports more British and Indian troops were expected in Iraq.

The Iraq Legation said it had no information of "abnormal" troop movements.

A British War Office spokesman said reports of troops on the Iraq-Turkish frontier had "no foundation whatsoever."—Associated Press.

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Narcotics Found In Germany

the cloak of UNRRA and only one had been positively identified as a Soviet agent.—Reuter.

TRUMAN LIKES BERMUDA

Hamilton, Aug. 23. President Truman arrived at this semi-tropical island liked what he saw and decided to spend the remainder of his vacation here.

Press Secretary Charles Ross claimed "this is what we have been looking for. There's no political significance whatsoever to the President being in Bermuda."

The presidential yacht Williamsburg anchored in the American naval operating base.—Associated Press.

Shop Keepers In Court Following Complaints By Residents

"Fierce Giant" Shot Dead

An inquest was held at the Central Magistracy yesterday before Mr. George She, sitting as Coroner, in the case of a Chinese male, Lo Ho, 36, who was shot by a Chinese detective when he resisted arrest on the third floor of No. 8, Luard Road on Aug. 4.

The jury comprised Messrs. D. D. Lopez (foreman), F. Robinson and Wong Wing.

Dr. W. R. Hackett, of Queen Mary Hospital, in evidence said that the deceased was admitted to hospital suffering from a gunshot wound. He took an X-ray and found that the bullet was on the right hip. The bullet entered through the left hip. He operated on the deceased about noon the same day. The man died about 3.15 p.m.

Choi Pak, Chinese Detective 780 attached to No. 2 Police Station, evidence stated that he was forced to fire at the deceased as he put up strong resistance by throwing away a pair of handcuffs and attempting to snatch his revolver. Deceased picked up brick and struck him. He warned him not to resist and said he would shoot. Deceased ignored his warning.

Another witness, Wong Chat, an informer who corroborated Choi's evidence, said that the deceased was a "fierce giant."

After further evidence, the jury returned a verdict that death was due to a gunshot wound in consequence of his resisting arrest by a Police Officer.

Gala Musical Festival

All three Services are combining to put on a Gala Musical Festival at the Star Theatre next Friday in aid of Service Charities.

An Opera Singer of the world-famous Carl Rosa Opera Company, Miss Alyson Scott; the Hongkong classical pianist, Miss Caroline Braga; the tenor Ganton d'Aquino; the Foorman Brothers and a large supporting cast, and no less than three bands, go to make up the programme, full details of which will be announced in the press.

The Theatre will be open to civilians as well as service people, and a special Peak Tram will leave the Town Terminus at 11 p.m. for the convenience of Peak residents returning from the show. Arrangements will also be made for Repulse Bay residents.

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

Arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel on Thursday included—Mr. Leon A. Lehman, Capt. Chas. Sundby, Capt. J. M. Greenwood, Mr. Y. Ho, Mr. Geo. V. Musk, Mr. Tse E. Pun, Capt. Y. Y. Lung, Capt. J. P. Chia, Mr. S. Y. Wong, Mr. T. C. King, Mr. R. L. Low, Capt. A. F. Young, Mr. Myron Levin, Mrs. H. Azar, Mr. M. Duhouze, Mrs. D. Yu and 3 children, Prof. & Mrs. K. H. Disney, Mr. M. Boitinsky, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Corra, Capt. H. Stratford, Capt. J. S. Papak, Mr. H. Yin, Mr. Geo. Hillier, Mr. J. G. P. Wilson, Mrs. Alice Johnson and son, Miss Mary Foster, Mrs. C. H. Whiting, Mr. Oliver Darr, Mr. Frank K. Wallace, Mr. U. Pudashans, Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Diamond, Mr. Fred Ellis, Mr. M. T. McLean, Mr. A. R. Elstad, Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Shaver, Capt. D. W. Gehriger, Mr. R. E. Murray, Mr. L. I. Merritt.

Passengers who arrived from Shanghai yesterday by the "Wing Sang" included Messrs. A. Piercy, A.C. Green, H.O. Hale, E.H. Moffat, G.H.S., Frewkes, E.M. Pulley, P.L. Budd-Budd, Duncan, S.F. King, and Wong Nanning, Mrs. S.N. Edes, Mrs. H. Chung and son, Mrs. K.P. Chow and daughter, Mrs. C.K. Chow and son, Mrs. Fung, the Misses E. & T. Fung, Miss Chang Lyu and Miss T.W. Chung.

Prof. and Mrs. K.H. Disney of the Hong Kong University were among old residents who returned to the Colony yesterday by the "General Melius" from San Francisco. The vessel had on board 60 passengers, of which 46 were for Hong Kong, and the rest through passengers. Among other passengers who disembarked here were J. M. and Mrs. Henry Corra, Messrs. Frederick Ellis, Walter H. Frank K. Wallace, Omer C. Darr, Mrs. Nada Baker, Mrs. Pauline Dunn, Mrs. Steven B. Dunn, Miss Shellie J. McCracken (from San Francisco) and Mr. and Mrs. Frank K. Deblop, Mearns, Robert Lupton, Chas. R. Mathews, David Smith, Myron Levin, F. Fallon, Alex. Tunkin, George Crooks, O. J. Marques, and Ernest Augusto Da Rosa (from Shanghai).

A fleet of 44-seater Skymaster airliners will soon be running on commercial air services between Sydney, Batavia and Java, and an immediate start is being made on the Sydney-Batavia hop.

The Netherlands Air Transport Squadron now operating the services between the two points is to turn the route over to the Royal Dutch Netherlands East Indies Airlines, an affiliated company of the Royal Dutch Air Lines.

For the theft of three tins of rolled oats and a tin of tomato juice from the Wa Cheong Shop, No. 84, Queen's Road Central, Ng Yut-shing was sentenced to three months' hard labour by Mr. George She at the Central Magistracy yesterday.

Shop keepers and managers of eight different shops in the Central District were summoned before Mr. F. X. d'Almada at the Central Magistracy yesterday for selling Palmolive soap and Lever's health soap above the controlled price on July 31.

According to the prosecution, Mr. W. H. Nulloth, Chief Detective Inspector, the summons were taken out following many complaints by residents in Kowloon and Hong Kong.

Chan Ho-yin, of the Wing Lee Shop, No. 13, Queen Victoria Street, was fined \$200 for selling a tin of Old Dutch cleaning soap for \$1.50, the controlled price being \$1.00.

Mr. Nulloth stated that accused was warned by the Price Controller for selling above the official price on July 17. He reported the offence on July 31. Wong Choi, manager of the Tai Tak Hong, No. 147, Honnessy Road, was fined \$100 for selling a cake of Lever's soap at 90 cents the official price being 45 cents.

Chen Chak-sheung, of No. 4, Wing Kut Street, was fined \$120 for the same offence.

Oh Ying-chun, of the Cheung Kam Kee Shop, No. 10, Wing Kut Street, was fined \$150 for selling a cake of Palmolive soap at \$1.30, the controlled price being 70 cents.

Following the announcement by the Price Controller concerning the scale of fresh fruit and the listing of ten firms which had agreed to cooperate with Government, a number of complaints have been made that the firms listed have not been able to meet the demands of the public.

It has been alleged further that fokis of the firms in question have bought up stocks for their own account with a view to resell in the black market, leaving nothing for the public.

Interviewed by the "China Mail," the Price Controller stated yesterday that supplies of fresh fruit were, as indicated in his announcement, already on the way.

Large supplies are expected to arrive early next week, when the public will be in a position to obtain adequate supplies from the dealers who have agreed to cooperate with Government.

Visiting the listed shops yesterday, a "China Mail" reporter observed that while stocks in the majority of these firms were rather low, one particular firm—the Kwong Tong Hing of 108 Des Voeux Road C.—had ample supplies of every variety of fruit on hand.

Despite a large notice in Chinese that the fruit was being sold at Government-controlled prices, members of the public were patronizing adjacent stalls and shops.

The question was finally put in the amended form: "Would innocent fokis in the absence of their masters answer questions put to them by police?" involved the Crown Prosecutor, Mr. A. J. Clifford, and Defence Counsel, Mr. B. Bernacchi, in an argument lasting over half-an-hour as the question was about to be put to one of the witnesses for the prosecution in the Ginseng Robbery case before Mr. Horace Lo at Kowloon Court yesterday.

The question was finally put in the amended form: "Would innocent fokis in the absence of their masters answer questions put to them by the police concerning their masters?"

The witness, a Chinese detective who had aided in the investigation that led to the recovery of a \$180,000 cargo of ginseng in Macao that had been stolen from a junk in Victoria Harbour, replied that he thought they should aid the police.

Mr. Bernacchi: "I can't see it's frightfully relevant."

Mr. Clifford: "I can't either, but learned counsel brought it up."

Mr. Horace Lo: "I don't see why people should be so willing to say anything about any master they considered not their business."

Near the end of the afternoon's proceedings, Mr. Clifford applied for withdrawal of the charges against third accused, Ho Ming-yan, a member of the crew of the junk suspected of having carried the cargo to Macao, on the ground that the Crown was unable to adduce evidence of guilty knowledge on his part and that he had been of aid to the police in the investigation that had led to the arrest of first and second accused.

Hearing of the case, which is for commitment, will continue this morning.

SYDNEY-N.E.I. AIR SERVICE

Sydney, Aug. 22. A fleet of 44-seater Skymaster airliners will soon be running on commercial air services between Sydney, Batavia and Java, and an immediate start is being made on the Sydney-Batavia hop.

The Netherlands Air Transport Squadron now operating the services between the two points is to turn the route over to the Royal Dutch Netherlands East Indies Airlines, an affiliated company of the Royal Dutch Air Lines.

This company will also operate the trans-Pacific air service between Batavia and the United States—Reuters.

Gen. Lo To Leave Today

Central Lo Cho Ying and Madame Lo will bring their visit to a close this morning, when they will bid farewell to His Excellency the Governor, Sir Mark Young, and Lady Young.

General and Madame Lo will embark at Queen's Pier at 8.15 a.m. and return to Canton by special plane.

Yesterday, the distinguished visitors had a very busy time paying social calls and visiting various public institutions.

In the morning, they held an "At Home" at the Gloucester Hotel. At noon, they were guests of honour at a luncheon party given in the Cafe de Chine. Sir Robert Ho Tung was host to General and Madame Lo in the afternoon.

Last night, a cocktail party in honour of the visitors was given at the home of Mr. T. W. Kwok, the Chinese Special Commissioner of Foreign Affairs.

HAD DUM-DUM TYPE BULLETS

"As the type of bullets you possessed were more dangerous I sentence you to three years and six months' hard labour instead of giving you the ordinary sentence of three years," remarked Sir Henry Blackall, Chief Justice, at the Supreme Court yesterday to Leung Hang, who was found guilty by a jury of unlawful possession of a six-chambered revolver and 10 rounds of ammunition.

The Crown said that accused was arrested in a house in Reclamation Street on July 16 by police who discovered the revolver and ammunition in a parcel next to his bed. As the revolver's chamber was extraordinarily short, Mr. Salisbury said, the accused cut his bullets to suit it. This type of ammunition resembled a dum-dum bullet and could do more harm than the ordinary ones.

Pleading not guilty, accused said a friend had left the parcel with him.

BOTANICAL GARDENS HOLD-UP

As a Chinese couple was enjoying the night air not far from the entrance to the Botanical Gardens shortly before 8 p.m. yesterday they were accosted by three men. One of them had a revolver and proceeded to search them, taking \$60.

As soon as they could, the couple got out of the garden and at Upper Albert Road met a Chinese constable to whom they related their sad tale.

The constable went to the garden and saw three men answering to the description given him. On seeing the Law appear, they ran away, the constable chased them, eventually arresting one near the bottom of Garden Road. The other two escaped.

In evidence, the woman said that she could not recognize accused.

ARBITRATION BOARD

The Board of Arbitration set up by Government to adjudicate on service disputes spent the afternoon yesterday hearing the views of the two companies on the points at issue.

Today they will meet again to hear the views of the companies' employees.

Alleged Collaborator Committed To Trial

Li Shu, an alleged collaborator, who is charged on five counts under the Defence Regulations with doing acts likely to assist the enemy, was yesterday committed by Mr. F. X. d'Almada to stand trial at the next Criminal Sessions.

Mr. R. S. Smith appeared for the Crown.

Captain Rudy Choy gave formal evidence as to the arrest of accused at the Central Police Station.

Colonel Noma, Commandant of the Japanese Gendarmerie in Hong Kong during the occupation, testified that he knew Sergeant Kakee who worked in the Political Section.

Captain Yanggal, Adjutant of Col. Noma stated that he was responsible for internal administration and that he knew a Sergeant Kakee who was attached to the Special Branch of the Gendarmerie. Witness did not remember having seen accused before.

Major Shiozawa, Head of the C.I.D. of the Japanese Gendarmerie said he knew an N.C.O. by the name of Kakee who worked in the Tokko Section. Witness also knew a woman called Tam So. She was originally used by Sergeant Kakee, but was later arrested in connection with smuggling activities and sent for trial by the Military Court.

Agent In Court

Lau Chik Kee, Manager of the Wilson Company, Importers and Exporters, stated that he was engaged in underground work as an agent for the B.A.A.G. from 1942. The certificate produced in Court to witness was issued by him in favour of Chan Kai, also an underground agent for the British Army. Witness did not know where Chan Kai was now.

Mr. Smith then informed Mr. d'Almada that the assistance of the Canton Police had been requested with a view to ascertaining the whereabouts of the singing girl, Li Shu Fong. It was expected that she would arrive in Hong Kong tomorrow. While expressing the view that the evidence adduced was sufficient to justify accused being committed for trial, Mr. Smith intimated that he would leave the matter in the hands of His Worship.

Mr. d'Almada then committed accused to stand trial at the next Criminal Sessions holding that sufficient evidence had been given to justify commitment.

Detective Sub-Inspector Wilcox said that at about 1.15 p.m. on Aug. 18 accused was seen by a scavenging coolie at a barber's stall in Ching Ching Street. Accused told the barber that he was collecting money on behalf of Sanitary Inspector Tsang Siu-cheon. The coolie then took the accused into custody, and in his possession found a notebook containing names of those who had contributed money. Six persons had paid \$6.50.

On the way to the Sanitary Department accused escaped but was re-arrested two days later.

Mr. She commanded the coolie for his observation and efficiency.

"Arrested" By A Coolie

A 23-year-old unemployed, Lee Ko, was sentenced to 12 months' hard labour by Mr. George She at the Central Magistracy yesterday on six charges of obtaining money by false pretences.

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FALSE REPORT TO POLICE

Shanghai, Aug. 23.

Closing rates were:

	Buying	Selling
C.N.S.	C.N.S.	C.N.S.
Gold per ounce	... 216,300	216,800
U.S. Dollars*	... 3,385	3,395
H.K. Dollars	740	750
Unofficial market		

*Associated Press.

Two shop fokis who did not know that it was a serious offence to make a false report to the Police, were fortunate to be fined only \$25 each by Mr. George She at the Central Magistracy yesterday. Mr. She warned that he would impose a prison sentence in future.

The accused, Yung Sin-hang and Hung Pang-man, fokis of a medicine firm at Bonham Strand, were delivering medicine to the Post Office by a hand cart. Apparently due to their carelessness, two parcels of medicine valued at \$700 were stolen.

The accused made a report to the Police stating that they were held up by two armed bandits.

Police were sent out to investigate and accused eventually admitted that the medicine had been stolen while they were at the Post Office.

Detective Sub-Inspector D. F. Watson prosecuted.

COMMITTED TO TRIAL

On charges of conspiracy to commit an armed highway robbery and of unlawful possession of a revolver, a Luger pistol, and 11 rounds of ammunition, two unemployed Chinese, Siu Yat, 24, and Lee Kau, 26, were committed by Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon Court yesterday to stand trial at the Criminal Sessions.

Sub-Insp. Carruthers, prosecuting, said that they had been arrested in Castle Peak Road on the night of Aug. 7 after a police party had been sent out following information received to patrol Castle Peak Road. Accused were found lying by the side of the road. They were taken to the station and one of the two had later brought the police to the place, near-by, where the arms were hidden.

The Head Office of the Chinese Maritime Customs for Kowloon and District will be closed to public business on Aug. 27, the day before Customs Day.

Opium Divan

Wong Fan, 32, unemployed, was sentenced to six months' hard labour without the option of a fine by Mr. George She at the Central Magistracy yesterday for keeping an opium divan at No. 101, Shaukiwan Road, on Thursday.

Two smokers who were found during the Police raid were cautioned and discharged.

Inspector Allen prosecuted.

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London Only Four Days Away From Hong Kong Now

Nehru To Be India's Foreign Minister?

Bombay, Aug. 23. Today's Bombay newspapers speculate on the allotment of portfolios in the forthcoming interim Government for India and report that Pandit Nehru, Congress president, is certain to assume charge of foreign affairs; Vallabhbhai Patel, home affairs; C. Rajagopalachari (former premier of Madras) finance; Rajendra Prasad, food and agriculture; Dr. John Mathai (Indian Christians) is mentioned for industries and supplies; and Baldev Singh (Sikhs) for defence.

An unconfirmed but well-informed report reaching here from New Delhi states that the final list of the interim Government personnel submitted by Mr. Nehru to the Viceroy last night provided for 14 members, of whom two will be named later—six Hindus, including one Scheduled Caste representative, five Moslems (of whom two have not yet been nominated) and three others representing the minorities, Christians, Sikhs and Parsees.

The list includes the former High Commissioner in South Africa, Sir Shafat Ahmed Khan, and Sarat Chandra Bose.—Reuter.

POST OFFICE NOTICES

MAIL NOTICE

Outward Mails

Unless otherwise stated, Registered Articles and Parcel Post close 15 minutes earlier than the time stated below:

SATURDAY, AUGUST 24

Airmail for Canton and Shanghai (C.N.A.C. Plane) (Reg.) 9:30 a.m. (Ord.) 10 a.m. Wuchow (Kwong-si Province) (Wing Hing) 10 a.m. Macao and Tsinshan (Kwong-sai) 11 a.m. Saigon (Helikon) 3 p.m. Bangkok (Muif Hock) 3 p.m. Amoy (Macau) 3 p.m. Swatow (Tsian) 8 p.m. Manila, P.I. (Tibabak) 3 p.m. Shanghai (Empire Perils) 3 p.m. Airmail for Canton, Shanghai, Nanking, Tsingtao, Peking and Kunming (C.N.A.C. Plane) (Reg.) 3 p.m., (Ord.) 3:30 p.m. Canton (By train) 4 p.m.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25

Macao and Tsinshan (Kwong Fook Cheung) (Reg.) 5 p.m. 24/8, (Ord.) 10 a.m. 25/8. Canton (Fatshan) (Reg.) 5 p.m. 24/8, (Ord.) 10 a.m. 25/8. Shanghai (Fengtien) (Reg.) 5 p.m. 24/8, (Ord.) 10 a.m. 25/8. Kowloon (Pook Hoi) (Reg.) 5 p.m. 24/8, (Ord.) 10 a.m. 25/8. Airmail for Canton and Holloway (C.N.A.C. Plane) (Reg.) 5 p.m. 24/8, (Ord.) 10 a.m. 25/8. Airmail for Kwollin, Hankow and Nanking (C.N.A.C. Plane) (Reg.) 5 p.m. 24/8, (Ord.) 10 a.m. 25/8.

MONDAY, AUGUST 26

Straits (Eastern Trader) 10 a.m. Macao and Tsinshan (Kwong-sai) 11 a.m. Tsamkone (Kwongchowwan) (Hup Fat) noon. Haiphong (Mashate) noon. Airmail for London, Calcutta, Johannesburg, Cairo, Rangoon, Singapore, Sydney and Auckland (By Air) 1:45 p.m., (Ord.) 2 p.m.

ROTTEN FOOD FROM INDIA

Singapore, Aug. 23. Indo-China has released 5,000 tons of rice for Malaya. The first half is leaving at the end of August and the remainder in mid-September.

A ship's officer, writing to the "Strait Times," stated that of the seven to eight thousand tons of food from India to Singapore, one half was "rotten and unfit to eat on arrival in Singapore." The food was milk, fruit, puddings and vegetables, all tinned.

In four and half months, his ship made two voyages, of which 33 days were spent at sea, 31 days loading and, 68 days calling at places along the Singapore roads or unloading.

Another officer writes: "We are lying at anchor with 5,000 tons of Australian foodstuffs and it appears that we must wait for two or three weeks to get a wharf at which to unload."—Reuter.

Shanghai, Aug. 22. The Chinese Government has decided to buy the entire stocks of raw silk in Shanghai at cost price. The Control Trust of China will effect the purchase.—Reuter.

Airmail for London, Calcutta, Singapore, Bangkok and Saigon (By Air) 1:45 p.m., (Ord.) 2 p.m.

Canton (By train) 4 p.m.

At 7 o'clock next Wednesday morning a huge four-engined flying boat will take off from Kowloon Bay for England inaugurating the Dragon Route of the British Overseas Airways Corporation's Speed Bird Service.

Thereafter a B.O.A.C. plane will leave every Wednesday for the United Kingdom flying via Bangkok, Rangoon, Calcutta, Karachi, Bahrain and Cairo.

On Thursday, B.O.A.C. will open its Hong Kong-Singapore service and this too will be weekly.

The Hong Kong office of B.O.A.C. yesterday announced that the fare to the United Kingdom was £170 single. Return fares £300. Children under three years would be charged 10 per cent of the fare and children under 12, fifty per cent.

All full fare paying passengers will be allowed 30 kilos (66 lbs) of free baggage and children under 12 will have half-baggage allowance. There will be no baggage allowance for children under three.

Four-Day Trip

The freight rate on the Dragon Route will be 17/- per kilo and excess baggage will be charged at £1.14 per kilo.

The first B.O.A.C. flying boats on the new England to Hong Kong and Singapore to Hong Kong services will arrive in Hong Kong next Tuesday.

The ship from the United Kingdom is scheduled to alight in Kowloon Bay at 5 p.m. and the one from Singapore, flying by way of Bangkok, at 4 p.m. On the outward journeys, the flying boats will leave every week at 7 a.m.

The inauguration of the B.O.A.C.'s Dragon Route means that London, the heart of the British Commonwealth, is for the first time in history, brought in four days of Hong Kong on a direct air route.

Hythe Class

The service will be an inestimable boon to businessmen, for it permits a merchant to leave Hong Kong on Wednesday and be in England on Saturday.

The flying boats to be used on the Dragon Route are the Hythe class, which is a civil adaptation of the famous Sunderland flying boats which served the Allied cause so magnificently during the war.

The opening of the Dragon Route is but another achievement of post-war British air transport and a further step in the development of the only worldwide flying boat service.

Many of the plans laid down in the years before 1939 for the development of Empire air communications have been brought out again and modernised in the light of post-war needs and have been put rapidly into operation. Among these were the start of a through express route from the United Kingdom to Australia with Lancastrian aircraft which cover the 12,000-mile journey in 61½ hours.

Then came the extension of the England-Caledonia flying boat service, first to Rangoon, later to Singapore and eventually right through to Australia.

Other developments were the opening of the fast service to Johannesburg, South Africa with Yorks and the reopening of the European civil air services.

The Dragon Route directly links England and the Far East for the first time since 1939.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 27

Macao and Tsinshan (Kwong Fook Cheung) (Reg.) 5 p.m. 24/8, (Ord.) 10 a.m. 25/8.

Canton (Fatshan) (Reg.) 5 p.m. 24/8, (Ord.) 10 a.m. 25/8.

Shanghai (Fengtien) (Reg.) 5 p.m. 24/8, (Ord.) 10 a.m. 25/8. Kongmoon (Pook Hoi) (Reg.) 5 p.m. 24/8, (Ord.) 10 a.m. 25/8.

Airmail for Canton and Holloway (C.N.A.C. Plane) (Reg.) 5 p.m. 24/8, (Ord.) 10 a.m. 25/8.

Airmail for Kwollin, Hankow and Nanking (C.N.A.C. Plane) (Reg.) 5 p.m. 24/8, (Ord.) 10 a.m. 25/8.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28

Macao and Tsinshan (Kwong Fook Cheung) 10 a.m. Cebu P.I. (Bengal) 10 a.m. Haiphong (Empire Labrador) 10 a.m.

Australia via Sydney (Yochow) (Par.) 9:30 a.m. (Reg.) 9:45 a.m. (Ord.) 10 a.m. Swatow and Saigon (Fronto) 10 a.m.

Shanghai (Wing Sang) noon. Haiphong (Empire Park) 3 p.m. Airmail for Chungking and Kunming (C.N.A.C. Plane) (Reg.) 3 p.m. (Ord.) 3:30 p.m.

Airmail for Canton, Shanghai, Nanking, Hankow, Tsingtao and Peking (C.N.A.C. Plane) (Reg.) 4 p.m. (Ord.) 10 a.m.

Canton (Sat On) 4 p.m. Airmail for Canton and Shanghai (C.N.A.C. Plane) (Reg.) 9:30 a.m. (Ord.) 10 a.m.

Straits (Tak Sang) (Par.) 9:00 a.m. Macao and Tsinshan (Kwong-sai) 11 a.m.

Airmail for London, Calcutta, Singapore, Bangkok and Saigon (By Air) 1:45 p.m., (Ord.) 2 p.m.

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NOTICE TO MARINERS

No. 50 of 1946

HONGKONG HARBOUR.

CABLE RESERVE.

As from August 23rd, and until further notice diving operations will be in progress within the Cable Reserve between Tsim Shui Tsui and Hongkong.

2. The diving barge will be distinguished by a large Red Flag and Red Anchor Buoys.

3. All vessels are warned to give the diving barge as wide a berth as possible.

Authority: Harbour Master.

J. JOLLY,

Harbour Master.

Harbour Department,

Hongkong, 21st. Aug. 1946.

NOTICE

The Ex-Political Prisoners' Association

All members are informed that an anniversary dinner of the Association will be held at the Gloucester Hotel, Top Floor, at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday next, the 29th instant. Members are entitled to bring with them their wives and other members of their family.

Notification of intention to attend plus the subscription should be sent in to the office of the Honorary Secretary at No. 11, Ice House Street, 1st floor, at the latest by Wednesday the 28th instant, at 1.00 p.m. Inquiries as to cost per head can be made at the same address.

It should be made quite clear that all prisoners of the Japanese regime who had not been imprisoned for commission of a penal code or criminal offence are eligible for membership and for attendance at this dinner and should send in application for membership as well as notification of intention to attend at this dinner to the same address of the Honorary Secretary.

Dated the 22nd day of August, 1946.

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GOVERNMENT STORES DEPARTMENT.

It is hereby notified that Sealed Tenders in triplicate, which should be clearly marked "TENDER FOR THE MANUFACTURE OF SCHOOL DESKS, CHAIRS, ETC." will be received at the Office of the Chairman, Tender Board, Public Works Department, Colonial Secretariat Building, until noon on Friday, September 6th, 1946.

Tenderers must attach to each tender a receipt that they have deposited at the Treasury, Prince's Building, Des Voeux Road, the sum of \$100.00 as a pledge of the bona fides of their Tender.

The successful Tenderer will be required to deposit into the Treasury the sum of \$1,000.00 as security for satisfactory fulfilment of their Contract.

Sample standard designs of Government School Furniture can be seen at Government Stores, Electric Road, North Point.

All Furniture to be manufactured in Teakwood.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any Tender, and reserves the right to accept all or any part of each tender.

E. E. HAGGER, Controller of Stores, Hongkong, 16th, August, 1946.

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Autumn Term begins Sept. 12th, 1946.

Entrance Examination (Fee \$8) Monday, Sept. 2nd, 1946.

Registration definitely closes Aug. 30th noon.

NOTICE. Red Cross Gift Parcels will be distributed to last term's students on Sat. Aug. 24th between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.

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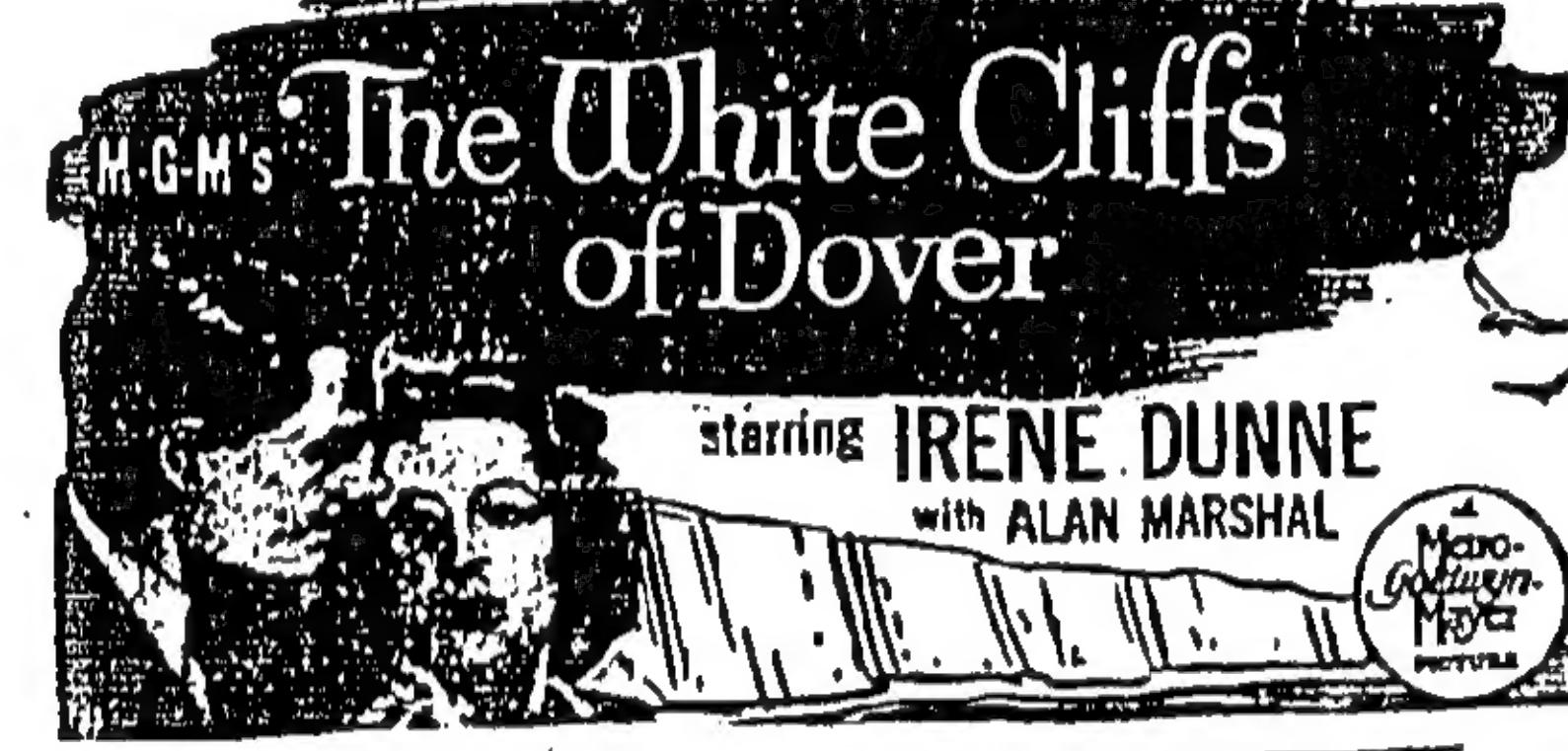
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Mr. Bevin Shuts Up Ukrainian Delegate

Paris, Aug. 23.

The Paris Peace Conference broke off its session abruptly on Thursday after Mr. Ernest Bevin had sharply banned further discussion of a violent Ukraine attack on Greece. Mr. Bevin, the chairman, listened with visibly growing impatience to the translations (which began the afternoon session) of a morning speech in which Dimitri Manulsky of Ukraine, calling Greece "Fascistic," announced that he had "just learned that the Yugoslav Ambassador has left Athens."

The British chairman then remarked testily that he had "trusted to the good sense of the delegates" to confine their discussion to the recommendations made by the six non-member states on Wednesday on the Italian treaty.

No Objections In U.N.

New York, Aug. 23.

Sweden, Iceland and Afghanistan probably will not meet opposition when the nine applications for United Nations membership are presented to the Security Council next week.

In the first test before the committee, the Russian representative, Alexei Elinikov, reserved the position of his Government on Sweden and Iceland but later announced that Russia had endorsed the two nations with pleasure.

The other six applicants—Albania, Eire, Transjordan, Portugal, Siam and Outer Mongolia—either are opposed directly in the Council's Membership Committee or are made the subject of reservations.

The Committee's report is now in the hands of the Council, which will make recommendations and pass the applications to the General Assembly for final action. All applications are subject to rejection through the Big Five use of the veto.—Associated Press.

AUSSIE TRADE DELEGATION

Canberra, Aug. 23.

William J. Scully, Minister of Commerce and Agriculture, said on Thursday that Australia would soon send a delegation to India and other parts of the East in an effort to develop trade.

He added that Australia and India hoped soon to establish the Government-controlled shipping service between Australia and India proposed by India early this year.—Associated Press.

Mr. Bevin said that further comments on any other topic would have to be made before the Conference Treaty Committee. The Greek Premier, Constantin Tsaldaris, then said that in that case he would reply to Manulsky in the Committee and Mr. Bevin adjourned the session 35 minutes after it began.

Taking the side of Albania, against Greece, in the airing of Balkan quarrels before a plenary session of the Conference, Dimitri Manulsky, chief of the Ukrainian delegation, had declared:

Wars Prepared

"We now see how the declarations made here by Greece really can endanger the peace of the world. We know how wars have been prepared."

Manulsky sharply criticized the claims of Greek Premier Constantin Tsaldaris on Southern Albania and said that "the presentation of these claims has resulted in an increase of incidents" along the Greek-Albanian border.

He declared that "these acts of violence mean that someone is seeking to cause trouble on the Albanian frontier."

Canada Backs Italy

Canada came to the support of Italy by submitting an amendment to the preamble of the Italian treaty aimed at giving some credit for the overthrowing of the Fascist regime to Italians.

Italy, in a memorandum, had made this proposal, but doubt those in committee whether the amendments submitted by an enemy power could be put forward.

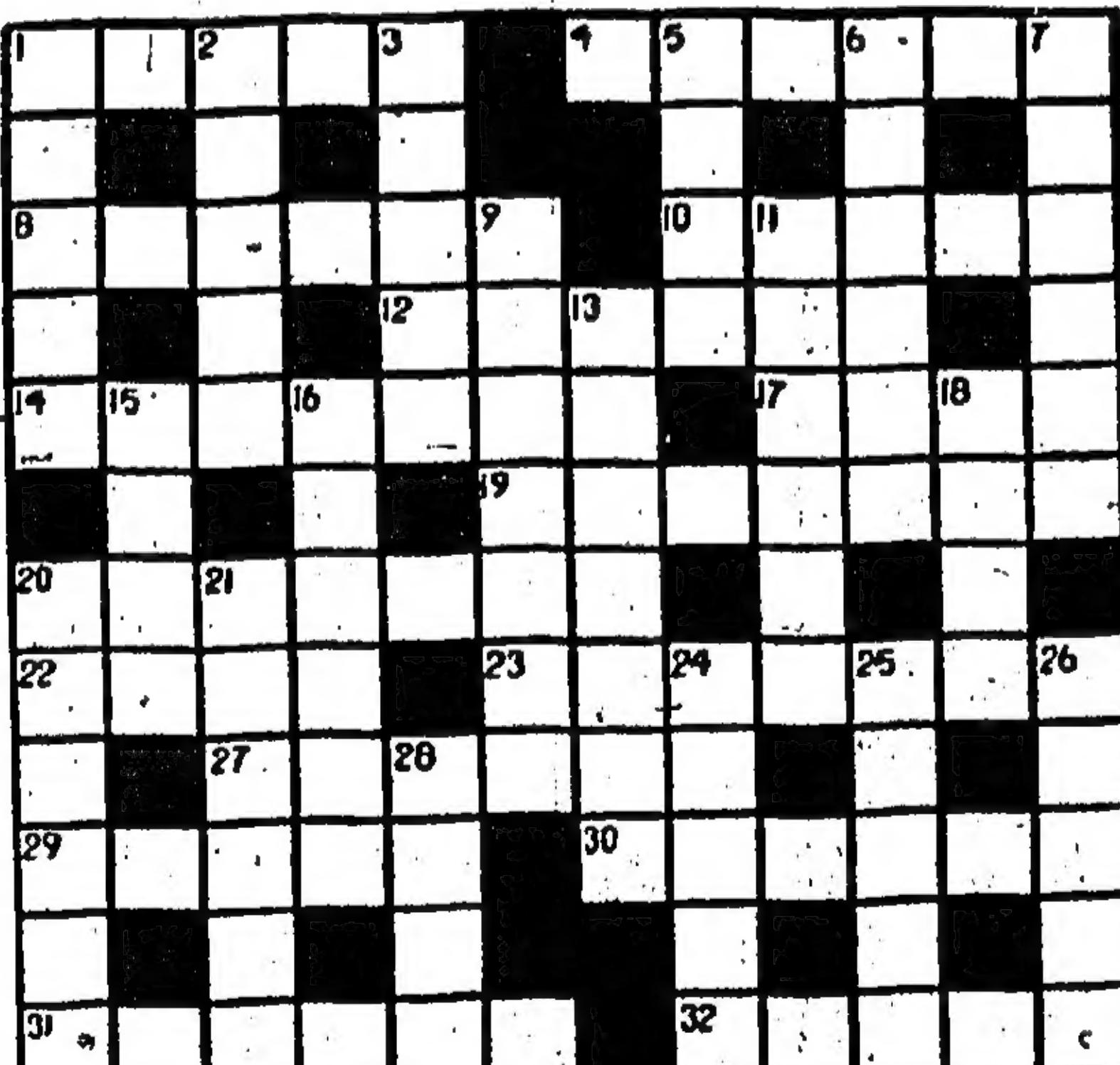
The Canadian amendment now proposes an insertion in the preamble stating that democratic elements among the Italian people had contributed to the overthrow of Fascism.—Associated Press and Reuter.

QUIT ORDER TO DEGREFFE

San Sebastian, Aug. 23.

Leon Degrelle, the Belgian Rexist leader, was ordered on Thursday by the Spanish Government to leave Spain within eight days.—Associated Press.

A BRITISH CROSS WORD PUZZLE



Across

- Telegraph overseas.
- Entertained sumptuously.
- Over-exercised.
- Small piece of land.
- Secret.
- In the midst of.
- Talk idly.
- Worthless stuff.
- Famous capital.
- Entertainment director.
- Roof covering.
- Call again.
- Laughable.
- Broom.
- Outcast.
- Froglike reptile.
- Handsome young man.
- Entertainer.
- Metal.
- Right.
- Movement.
- Sewing implement.
- Young man.
- Poems.

Yesterday's Crossword

- Estrange.
- Exit.
- Straight.
- Thirteen.
- Star.
- Appealed.
- Terrible.
- Lyre.
- Delegate.
- Repaired.
- Pent.
- Kiwi.
- Sate.
- Roan.
- Night.
- Enter.
- Stot.
- Refer.
- Happy.
- Allot.
- Lever.
- Dried.
- Lyric.
- Repel.
- Diva.
- Lens.
- Army.
- Edge.
- Lump of metal.
- Right.
- Movement.
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British Exports At New Post-War High

London, Aug. 23.

It was officially announced yesterday that Britain's exports have reached a new post-war high, 20 per cent above the monthly average for 1938, driving the nation steadily closer to the time when more goods can be allotted to the domestic consumer.

Mr. John Belcher, Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Trade, who disclosed that Britain's exports in July were valued at £91,900,000, said he hoped "we shall very speedily reach the position where we can supply the home market" without the continued clothing rationing.

Pointing up strikingly the increased speed of the British recovery drive, Mr. Belcher disclosed that exports in June were valued at £89,000,000, only 8 per cent of the 1938 monthly average.

Many Increases

July showed increases in almost every kind of exports. The value of ships, aircraft, locomotives and other vehicles shipped abroad rose to £11,021,332, a £9,625,881 increase in a single month.

Britain's July imports totalled £101,100,000. India, it was disclosed, replaced South Africa as Britain's leading export market for the period April to June, buying £18,100,000 worth compared with £15,900,000 worth in the previous quarter.

Other purchases by Britain's customers in the second quarter included:

South Africa	£16,400,000
Denmark	£12,900,000
France	£10,800,000
United States	£ 8,000,000
Netherlands	£ 7,800,000
Belgium	£ 6,000,000

Associated Press.

N.Y. STOCK MARKET

New York, Aug. 23.

Closing stock market quotations:
Adams Express 10, Alaska Juneau 6½, American Can 100%, American Smelting 59½, American Telephone 185, American Tobacco —, American Waterworks 23½, Anacapa Copper 44½, Aviation Corporation 9, Baldwin Locomotive 29½, Barnard 28½, Bendix Aviation 45½, Bethlehem 110, Boeing Aircraft 28½, Borden Co. 61%, Canadian Pacific 17½, J.I. Case 46, Chrysler 110%, Colgate 69%, Commercial Solvent 26, Corn Products 67½, Dupont de Nemours 207%, Eastman Kodak 23½, Electric Light & Power 22½, General Electric 45%, General Motors 64%, Goodrich 79%, Goodyear 69, Homestake Mining 40%, International Paper 45½, International Tel & Tel 21½, Johns Manville 135, Kennecott Copper 64½, Montgomery Ward 79%, National Distillers 25½, National Lead 35½, New York Central 22½, Packard Motors 8½, Pan-American Airways 17½, Pennsylvania RR 30, Radio Corporation 13, Real Silk —, Republic Steel 30½, Reynolds Tobacco 42, Schenley 32½, Sears Roebuck 43½, Shell Oil 36½, Socony Vacuum 17, Southern Pacific 61½, Standard Brands 46, Standard Oil of Calif. 56%, Standard Oil of N.J. 77, Studebaker 30½, Union Bag 35½, Union Carbide 108%, U.S. Rubber 69%, U. S. Steel 86%, Westinghouse 30, Youngstown Sheet & Tube 77.—Associated Press.

N.Y. COTTON

New York, Aug. 23.

Cotton is lower in a nervous trading, influenced partly by stocks and the foreign situation. Values dropped around \$2 in the afternoon but recovered in the afternoon on mill buying and short covering. It closed 20 lower to 40 higher.

Oct. 35.55, Dec. 35.61—56, March 34.46—47, May 35.10—13, July 34.53½, Middling spot 36.44.

New Orleans, cotton closed 55 to 50 lower.

Oct. 35.44, Dec. 35.52—55, March 35.39—42, May 35.07, July 34.46—48, Middling spot 35.55.—Associated Press.

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Frob. Market rates:			
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18.05		New Zealand 124.37	125
19.05		South Africa 100	105.50
19.35		Tchernia 128	130
20.35		Alexandria 97.37½	97.32½
Prague 20.25		Singapore 2/4—3/2	2/4½
Paris 17.25		Hong Kong 4½/16	17.50
18.00		1/3—1/10	Philippines 17.50
18.30		1/6—1/16	17.50
18.35		Shanghai unquoted	17.50
19.35		Lima 20.10	20.10
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R.N. Captain Gets U.S. Award

Belfast, Aug. 23.—Acting for President Truman, the U.S. Consul in Belfast (Mr. F. Roberts) today presented the Legion of Merit (Degree of Officer) to Captain Sir Richard Pim, formerly of the Royal Navy and now Inspector-General of the Royal Ulster Constabulary.

The citation reads: "For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services to the Government of the United States in setting up a temporary map-room in the White House for the use of the President of the United States and the Prime Minister of Britain during the first war conference in Washington, and in rendering similar services during the conferences at Quebec, Cairo, Yalta and Berlin from December, 1941 to July, 1945."

"Generously giving assistance and advice in the establishment of a permanent President's map-room in the White House, Captain Pim brilliantly presented the complex events of the greatest war in history to the President and his staff during the several conferences, and by his broad understanding and strategic knowledge, contributed materially to the success of these vitally important meetings."—Reuter.

Yugoslavian Protest Over Shipping

London, Aug. 23.—The Soviet News Agency, Tass, (quoted by Moscow radio) announced last night that Dr. Stammer, Yugoslav Vice-Chairman of the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations, has handed a note to the General Secretary of the U.N.O., asking that next session's agenda should include the question of the "unjustified retention of six passenger steamers, 10 tugs, 18 tankers and 119 barges, as well as seven pontoons, one crane and four other ships, which are Yugoslav property, seized by the Germans and at present on the upper reaches of the Danube in the American occupation zones of Austria and Germany."

Dr. Stammer said in his note that despite repeated demands by the Yugoslav Government and military authorities for their return, the American Government and military authorities "are continuing to hold these ships without any just reasons."

"The Americans are thus inflicting a severe loss on Yugoslavia and at the same time are hindering the rapid rehabilitation of the country, devastated by war," the Soviet News Agency added.—Reuter.

YUGOSLAVIA CAVES IN

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Yugoslavia in prompt response to the United States demand for their delivery within 48 hours.

These persons were on the American plane which was forced or shot down on August 9. Among the persons returned, two are now at Gorizia.

The United States authorities took over the following:—Captain William Cromie, pilot of the plane; four American members of the crew; two American passengers; one Hungarian lawyer from Budapest; and one other passenger whose nationality was unknown. "The tenth passenger, a Turkish army captain, was seriously wounded in a Yugoslav hospital and is unable to be moved."—Reuter.

Not Decadent

New York, Aug. 23.—The "New York Times," referring today to the Yugoslav incidents, observes: "It is to be hoped that the present showdown will persuade both the Russians and Yugoslavs that the United States, while patient, is neither decadent nor so innocent of the game they play as to suffer injuries through it forever."

If that should be the result, then the ultimatum shall have justified itself far beyond its immediate cause and the work in reconstructing durable peace can be resumed with greater prospects of success."—Reuter.

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EYES GOUGED OUT

Athens, Aug. 23.—The political reporter of the Right Wing Salonic newspaper "Phos," George Sidiropoulos, was seized and killed by a Communist band about 50 miles northwest of Salonic, near the Yugoslav border, the Press Ministry announced on Thursday night.

The announcement said that the newspaperman's eyes were gouged out before death.—Associated Press.

Russia and Dardanelles

London, Aug. 23.—The "Daily Express" correspondent in Paris says today that the reply which the Soviet Government is sending to the American and British notes rejecting Russia's suggestion for a new regime in the Dardanelles, will emphasize three points.

These are:—1. Russia is not disposed to submit to international control of a waterway which she regards as vital to her security, while the United States and Britain retain the sole control of waterways claimed as vital to them.

The Russians will point out that the Panama Canal is controlled absolutely by the United States while the Suez Canal will be jointly defended by Britain and Egypt. They say that the regime they propose to Turkey is similar to the control which Britain and Egypt will exercise at Suez.

2. International control through the U.N.O. would be ineffective if Turkey, in practice, continued to dominate the Straits alone. On the other hand, a control commission comprising other powers situated thousands of miles from the Straits would in effect station these powers only 300 miles from Russian soil.

3. Internationalisation of vital waterways, including Kiel Canal, would not be unacceptable to Russia, "provided it were universally applied."—Reuter.

PALESTINE

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to Eritrea, the former Italian colony on the Red Sea.—Reuter.

We Did It!

Jerusalem, Aug. 23.—Haganah, the illegal Jewish organisation, claimed on Thursday to have perpetrated Wednesday night's explosives attack against the "Empire Rival." The confession was made in a Haganah-controlled "Voice of Israel" broadcast.—Associated Press.

Jews' Call To War Vets.

Tel Aviv, Aug. 23.—About 2,500 Jewish ex-servicemen last night called all war veterans at a meeting in the Habimah theatre here to "demonstrate your comradeship with us. Remind everybody that you did not fight so that nations should be betrayed for the sake of a base bargain. You fought for freedom."

The meeting also asked the British and Palestine Governments to free the Jewish leaders now held in detention camps, and to "open the gates of Palestine to the victims of Nazism who suffered most."—Associated Press.

NOT SABOTAGE

Haifa, Aug. 23.—An affidavit that the fire aboard the British tanker "Empire Cross" (3,734 tons), which sank in Haifa Bay on August 2 with the loss of 26 lives, was "accidental and not due to sabotage," was given before a Haifa magistrate by eight of the crew.

The Navy discount the theory that the fire was caused by the detonation of a depth charge dropped by a destroyer as a security measure against terrorist limpet-mine swimmers.—Reuter.

RAF Used Yugoslav Ship As Target

Athens, Aug. 23.—The British Embassy in Athens tonight stated that the Yugo-Slav ship "Kralj Aleksandar I," about which Yugo-Slavia delivered a note to the Greek Foreign Ministry, was damaged by RAF aircraft.

"They used the stranded vessel for target practice," the Embassy said in the statement.

The statement said: "In connection with the complaint reported to have been made by Yugo-Slavia to the Greek Government regarding the damage done to the "Kralj Aleksandar I," a merchant ship mined and stranded off Araxos River, the British Embassy thinks it ought to be made known that the damage was done by RAF aircraft who used the stranded vessel for target practice under a mistaken impression that it was a German vessel past salvaging."—Reuter.

RIGHT-WING PRESS CRITICISMS

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but the offense was a frank one and could not pass without protest. The Yugoslavs should be the last to complain at any sharpness of tone, seeing that for months past they have been carrying on a campaign of vilification against the United States and Britain and, as the last British note showed, have been an extremely bad neighbour on the Venezia Giulia frontier.

"What will happen if the Tito regime refuses to apologise for its gross offence and the case goes to the Security Council, one can only guess. It will be interesting to see whether Russia will stand up for her unruly satellites and become an apologist of a flagrant breach of international harmony."

No Option

The "Daily Graphic," like other Conservative papers, thinks that the Americans had no option but to send an "ultimatum" to Marshal Tito and adds: "This Yugoslav and American explosion will help to clear the air. There must come sooner or later a 'showdown' between the Soviet Union and the western democracies."

The Communist "Daily Worker" in a violent condemnation of the United States, accuses it of provoking a quarrel. "Today Yugoslavia is being bullied by the United States in the approved Hitler technique."—Reuter.

Tension Relieved

London, Aug. 23.—Commenting on the situation created by the United States ultimatum to Marshal Tito about the two United States planes shot down by Yugoslav fighters, the New York correspondent of the "Evening News," Leonard Wibberley, stated today that as Washington still awaits Marshal Tito's official reply to the ultimatum, "diplomatic circles forecast that President Truman will not be satisfied with anything less than full apology and heavy compensation."

"Tension has been relieved," continued Wibberley, "by unofficial reports that the survivors of the two Balkan nations and first incident had been freed but the United States is determined other Soviet satellites that it will not shirk a showdown with them

and indirectly with Russia—at any time the situation warrants, irrespective of effect on international relations."—Reuter.

Press Interview With Tito

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the planes, if they were of American manufacture, had been given to Yugoslavia under lend-lease.

He said that "the two planes, far exceeding the slow transport in speed and manoeuvrability gave chase to the transport over Bleid, as it was proceeding northward, apparently returning to Austria."

"They overtook the transport over the mountain across the lake from Bleid and made several passes at it," he said.

"The plane then went into a slow turn as though it were about to return to Bleid to land. Then the fighter planes dived again, and the plane fell off into a spin and spiraled to the ground with great clouds of black smoke coming out of it," he related.

"After it crashed on the side of the mountain, he continued, "one of the fighter planes

SPORTS SECTION

Gloucester Trounced By Yorkshire

London, Aug. 22.—Yorkshire, English county cricket championship leaders, gained their fifteenth victory of the season when beating Gloucestershire today. Ellis Robinson's spin bowling for Yorkshire was irresistible: In ten overs he took five wickets for 15 runs, his analysis for the innings being six wickets for 27 runs.

Whitcombe In The Lead

Brighton, Aug. 22.—Reginald Whitcombe, 48-year-old Dorset professional, today had his lead narrowed to a single stroke after his second round of 73 for 139 in the News Chronicle stroke play golf tournament at Hollingbury Park here.

With the final 36 holes to be played tomorrow, he is being challenged by the Australian champion, Norman von Nida, and John Burton, brother of Dick, who did well with 71 and 70, respectively, for totals of 140.

Two strokes behind is Whitcombe's potentially most dangerous rival, Dai Rees, whose 72 might easily have been better, although not in the same class as his earlier round of 66, was nevertheless commendable. For 17 holes he was hitting his shots in steady drizzle, conditions which generally sent scores soaring.

Two former British Open champions, Alf Padgham and Alf Perry, failed to break the qualifying score of 152 and were thus eliminated.—Reuter.

SELLERS, BOWES FOR AUSTRALIA

London, Aug. 23.—Brian Sellers, Yorkshire captain since 1938, and W.E. Bowes, famous fast bowler and a former Test player, are going to Australia with the England tourists.—but not as players. They have been engaged to report the Test matches for Yorkshire papers.

Sellers was a member of the Committee which chose the touring party while Bowes visited Australia with Jardine's team before the war. There are three Yorkshiremen in the touring party, Hutton, Yardley and Gibb.—Reuter.

LT. WALLACE INJURED

Lt. Wallace, R.N.V.R., Sports Secretary of the Royal Naval Armament Depot Football Club was admitted to hospital following the knee injury sustained during the trial game on Wednesday.

This is a handicap to the Club at the commencement of what appears to be a busy sports season for the R.N.A. Depot. All members will wish him a speedy return to health and office.

Many persons in the street cheered at the sight of the fighter-passed-over them," he said.

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"It was clear," he said, "that the transport plane was hit in the air and was burning on the way down."

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